To
- Researchers and groups focusing on phenology and seasonality research
- Supervisors of PhD, Master and Bachelor theses
- Journalists and artists covering phenology and seasons

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Swiss competition of phenology and seasonality research 2025-2026

Dear Sir or Madam

The mission of the Swiss Commission of Phenology and Seasonality research (CPS) is to promote research and communication of all aspects of seasonality science to a larger audience. CPS specifically promotes young researchers. The Swiss competition of phenology and seasonality research is announced annually.

We invite students and young scientists working in Switzerland on **projects dealing with aspects of timing in the biotic and abiotic environment** to apply for the Swiss competition of phenology and seasonality research 2025–2026. Persons with ongoing or finished projects (2 years after completion) are eligible to participate. We consider Bachelor, Master or PhD theses. Early postdocs can still apply with their work from the PhD within two years after PhD graduation. Moreover, we also consider media products and art projects that communicate phenology and seasonality research to a broader audience. The **prize money is CHF 1'000.-** and is given out entirely to one or in parts to several winners. With this prize, the CPS supports ideas and engagement to promote phenology research.

The winner of the 2025-2026 competition will be **announced by e-mail in March 2026 and will be invited to present the poster at the CPS stand during the Swiss Global Change Day on 15 April 2026.**

Please send the following information **until 31 February 2026** to Frederik Baumgarten (frederik.baumgarten@unibas.ch) or Sibylle Stöckli (sibylle.stoeckli@agroscope.admin.ch)

- pdf file of a poster (max.10 MB) describing your project in the most attractive way (favor illustrations and avoid too much text)
- Short **Curriculum Vitae** (maximum 2 pages, pdf file)

The call can be downloaded from:

https://naturalsciences.ch/organisations/kps/phenology_contest

We thank you for your application in support of Swiss phenology and seasonality research.

Kind regards,

On behalf of the members of the commission

Frederik Baumgarten & Sibylle Stöckli